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Honorable S. I. Hayakawa
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hayakawa:

Thank you for your letter of 13 September enclosing
correspondence from [redacted]
California. The [redacted] had encountered Iranian protestors
while visiting Washington and expressed concern about the
CIA tie-in with the Shah's regime.

Please advise them that there is a long-standing
Agency policy not to comment on allegations about its
activities. You may assure them, however, that the
activities of this Agency are scrutinized by oversight
committees in both Houses of Congress. These are the
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, chaired by
Senator Birch Bayh (D., Ind.), and the House Permanent
Select Committee on Intelligence, chaired by Represen-
tative Edward P. Boland (D., Mass.)

I trust this information will aid you in responding
to your constituents.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Frederick Hitz

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